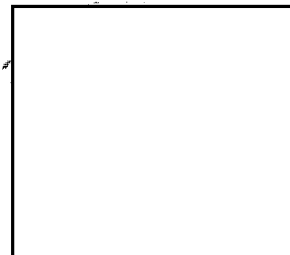


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1. The DCI talked with Sen. Ferguson regarding the CIA budget presentation and other matters. In connection with the former, Sen. Ferguson stated that he did not wish to proceed on the CIA budget until Cong. Taber had completed action on the House side. He did not give any firm indication as to what type of Committee action he might take. The Senator appeared to be extremely receptive to the possibility of placing our reserve on a "no year fund" basis. He inquired as to our personnel ceiling and asked if there was any possibility of cutting under that ceiling. The Director stated that he was always trying to reduce personnel, but could not make any firm commitment to go under our proposed ceiling.

Sen. Ferguson asked whether we were proposed to do anything concerning a building, and the DCI informed him that we were requesting no funds for this purpose. Sen. Ferguson approved this position as he said it would be unwise to ask for such funds this year.

The DCI mentioned to Sen. Ferguson the rumors concerning possible investigations of CIA, and Sen. Ferguson indicated that there was not much likelihood of any such investigation.

The DCI mentioned to Sen. Ferguson that Sen. Mansfield was circulating a new version of his proposed bill for a Joint Committee on Intelligence, and the Senator stated that Mansfield had approached him as a possible co-sponsor of the Resolution, but that he had declined.

The DCI did not take up with Sen. Ferguson S. 3067, introduced by Sen. Ferguson, a bill to require that international agreements other than treaties be transmitted to the Senate within 30 days of execution.